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OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR CZECHOSLOVAK
FOOD CONSUMPTION IN 1949

Governmental Decree of 21 December 1948
Establishing the Operational Plan for
Food Consumption in 1949.

The Government of Czechoslovakia, according to Paragraph 34 of the Law Concerning the Five-Year Plan, decrees the following:

1. On the basis of proposals worked out by the Central Planning Commission, the operational plan for food is established. The value, total quantity, and relative consumption of the principal foods, in accordance with Table 1 - 5 below, are thereby determined for 1949.

2. A total of 101,317,644,000 crowns' worth of food is allotted for public consumption from domestic production and imports. The principal foods are the following:

	<u>Thousands of Crowns</u>	<u>Tons</u>
Wheat flour and products (in flour value)	12,133,620	1,101,578
Rye flour and products (in flour value)	5,331,450	701,866
Milk	6,866,040	1,405,769
Butter	4,635,580	58,700
Meat (beef, veal, pork, mutton) and meat products (in meat value in quarters)	16,355,400	413,021
Rendered lard and bacon	2,307,380	39,772
Artificial edible fats (in value of margarine)	2,203,280	55,082
Eggs (in thousands)	3,038,770	1,179,284
Sugar	5,011,580	334,105

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3. Foods valued at 71,087,700,000 crowns and obtained from both domestic production and imports have been allotted for distribution to the population by public means. Among these, the principal foods are:

	<u>Thousands of Crowns</u>	<u>Tons</u>
Wheat flour and products (in flour value)	7,747,560	676,691
Rye flour and products (in flour value)	2,746,660	423,086
Milk	4,445,710	871,708
Butter	3,886,960	48,587
Meat (beef, veal, pork, mutton) and meat products (in meat value in quarters)	10,576,160	267,872
Rendered lard and bacon	1,336,990	22,275
Artificial edible fats (in margarine value)	2,203,280	55,082
Eggs (in thousands)	1,354,130	494,805
Sugar	5,011,580	334,105

4. The Minister of Food is directed to administer rationing in 1949 within the limits of the total allotment specified in Paragraph 2 so that the average food consumption value of individual consumer groups should equal the average values specified in Tables 1 - 5 of this decree.

5. The Minister of Food is directed to ensure, in agreement with the Minister of Agriculture, sufficient purchase of agricultural products to fulfill the tasks, in accordance with Paragraphs 3 and 4.

6. The Minister of Foreign Trade is directed to conduct, within the limits of the import plan for 1949, such imports of food and raw materials for processing as are necessary to fulfill the tasks in accordance with Paragraphs 3 and 4 and in accordance with the time schedule agreed to by the Minister of Food.

7. This decree shall be carried out by the Ministers of Food, Agriculture, and Foreign Trade in agreement with the interested members of the government.

Private Consumption

Table 1. Total Consumption of Principal Foods in 1949
(In tons)

	<u>1949</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>Quarters</u>			<u>4th</u>
			<u>2d</u>	<u>3d</u>		
Wheat flour and products (in flour value)	1,101,578	280,852	272,144	233,152	315,430	
Rye flour and products (in flour value)	701,866	175,435	164,347	154,257	207,827	
Milk	1,405,769	344,022	350,777	355,146	355,824	
Butter	58,700	14,432	14,640	14,760	14,818	
Meat (beef, veal, pork, mutton) and meat prod- ucts (in meat value in quarters)	413,021	110,333	92,465	92,125	116,094	

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Table 1. (Continued)

	<u>1949</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>Quarters</u>		
			<u>2d</u>	<u>3d</u>	<u>4th</u>
Rendered lard and bacon	39,772	11,630	9,463	7,518	11,161
Artificial edible fats (in margarine value)	55,782	12,888	12,885	14,153	15,156
Eggs (in thousands)	1,179,284	323,170	456,025	225,325	174,764
Sugar (including sugar for processing)	334,105	76,989	91,131	78,280	87,705

Table 2. Distribution of Principal Foods to the Population by Public Means (in tons)

	<u>1949</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>Quarters</u>		
			<u>2d</u>	<u>3d</u>	<u>4th</u>
Wheat flour and products (in flour value)	676,691	174,369	176,748	148,431	177,143
Rye flour and products (in flour value)	423,086	105,772	105,771	105,770	105,773
Milk	871,708	210,506	217,261	221,631	222,310
Butter	48,587	11,954	12,112	12,232	12,289
Meat (beef, veal, pork, mutton) and meat products (in meat value in quarters)	267,872	56,649	60,719	70,964	79,540
Rendered lard and bacon	22,275	5,380	5,326	5,631	5,938
Artificial edible fats (in margarine value)	55,082	12,888	12,885	14,153	15,156
Eggs (in thousands)	494,805	84,481	181,310	127,736	101,278
Sugar (including sugar for processing)	334,105	76,989	91,131	78,280	87,705

Table 3. Average Consumption of Principal Foods per Capita in 1949

	<u>All Consumers</u>	<u>Farmers</u>	<u>Other Consumers</u>
Wheat flour products (in flour value)(kg)	88.39	116.56	77.39
Rye flour and products (in flour value)(kg)	56.32	77.71	47.97
Milk (liters)	112.80	141.75	101.18
Butter (kg)	4.71	2.90	5.41
Meat (beef, veal, pork, mutton) and meat products (in meat value in quarters)(kg)	33.14	38.88	31.20
Rendered lard and bacon(kg)	3.19	4.90	2.61

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Table 3. (Continued)

	<u>All Consumers</u>	<u>Farmers</u>	<u>Other Consumers</u>
Artificial edible fats (in margarine value)(kg)	4.42	---	5.91
Eggs (in units)	94.6	108.67	83.80
Sugar (including sugar for processing)(kg)	26.81	26.81	26.81

Table 4. Average Daily Caloric Value of Foods Issued on Ration Tickets
in 1949

Children under 6	1,695.1
Children from 6 to 12	2,303.1
Persons from 12 to 20	2,741
Persons over 20	1,856.9
Workers	2,182.5
Heavy workers	2,606.1
Very heavy workers	3,018.9
Miners	3,549.2
Pregnant women	3,843
Nursing mothers	3,108.7

Table 5. Percentages of Bulk, Nourishing, and Protective Foods in the Total
Caloric Value of Food Consumed by the Entire Population

Bulk food	74.56
Nourishing food	22.27
Protective food	3.17

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